

Abraham & Lot: A Picture of God's Saving Grace

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Objective of Lesson:

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Lesson Instructions:

 Today we are going to talk about a man named Abraham and his nephew named Lot.

- 2. Abraham and Lot were family they were related. Just like you have aunts and uncles. (Name some of the children's relatives.)
- 3. Abraham and Lot lived very close to each another, and they went everywhere together, but most importantly they worshipped God together. They both knew that they were sinners in need of God's mercy and that God is sovereign.

 Sovereign means nothing happens without God's permission. Jesus Christ is the only one that can save people from their sins.
- 4. God had blessed both of these men with great earthly riches. They both possessed huge herds of sheep, lots of gold and silver (money), cattle, servants, and tents. Their substance was very great, and they both had very large families and many servants.
- 5. The Lord gave them both so many possessions and servants, and one day they began to argue among themselves. Their families were so big they began to fight over whose cattle and flocks of sheep were going to graze on what land. The land was just not large enough for all of them to feed and live.
- 6. This arguing between the families greatly upset Abraham, so he immediately went to Lot and said unto him, "Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we be brethren. Is not the whole land before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: if thou wilt take the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if thou depart to the right hand, then I will go to the left." (Gen. 13:8-9) In other words let's not argue. We are family, and there is plenty of land for us to use. You choose what land you want and I will take the other.
- 7. So there stands Lot. He looks to the left where he sees a land that is desolate and not much green grass or water. This land is called Canaan. Then Lot looks to the right and sees green pastures, abundant water, and a beautiful land called Jordan. He says, "That is what I want! I choose Jordan!"
- 8. Lot thought the land of Jordan was beautiful, and looked wonderful to him. It looked like the best place for him and his family to be, and that is what he chose. He wanted to be in that beautiful place, and he was drawn to those cities of beautiful people.
- 9. Since Lot chose Jordan, that left the desolate and barren land of Canaan for Abraham. Abraham was not upset by Lot's choice. He trusted in God and knew God would take care of him. So Abraham took his family and possessions and went into this land of Canaan.
- 10. Lot packed up his family and servants and moved into the land of Jordan near a great city call Sodom. Both Abraham and Lot were taken care of by God and both learned very valuable lessons.
- 11. Lot found out that his choice was not so good. Even though the land was beautiful and lush to him and looked like a wonderful choice for him, he found out the people he had to live with in that land were very evil and very wicked. They were not God's people and Lot had to deal with many horrible things. His choice to go into the world and be enticed by its beauty and riches cost him dearly.
- 12. He ended up being sorry for his choice, and it upset him very much that he had to live with the consequences. God did eventually lead him out of that land of Jordan, but Lot lost his whole family and all his worldly possessions. Lot learned

- a very painful lesson. What was the lesson Lot learned? We think we know what is best for ourselves but our hearts desire is nothing but wickedness and strife. When the Lord allows us to choose, we always choose what is bad for us. The Lord taught Lot that it is only by God's mercy we can be saved from our sin and wickedness. Lot made his choice; therefore he could not leave that wicked city until God led him out of it.
- 13. Just like Lot, we cannot get ourselves out of our wickedness and sin until we are led out by God's mercy and grace. It is by the dying of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, that we are accepted of God and saved from our choice of wickedness.
- 14. We go through trials and strife in this world in order that we may learn to trust our Lord in all things. This story of Abraham and Lot also teaches us there is no need to argue with one another, because the Lord provides plenty for all His people.
- 15. Abraham also learned from Lot's choice. What did he learn? God showed him no matter how desolate and bad things look to God's children, the Lord always provides all things that are needed for life.
- 16. Lot learned a very painful lesson. The Lord taught him what was really in the world, and this is a picture of what is really in our hearts also. Just like this world, our hearts are full of strife and anger and wickedness. Only Christ Jesus, the Son of God, can save us from the horrible destruction, which is sin.

Activities:

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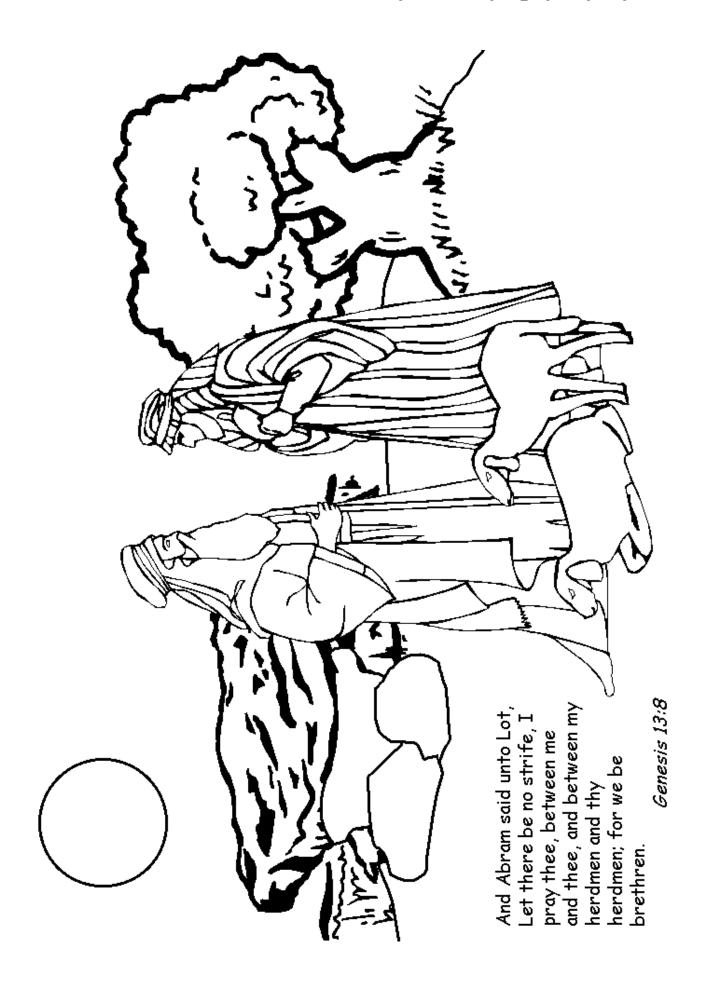
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TOL		Lot
JARODN		Jordan
NANCAN		Cannan
NIS		sin
REATH		heart
LWROD		world
CYERM		mercy
DOG		God
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